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COVID Vaccine: I'm Eligible, Now What?

Like a huge ship turning around in a tiny harbor, America's massive COVID-19 program is making progress, but slowly. There have been kinks to iron out: long wait times on the phone seeking information; confusion about who is eligible; and limited supplies of the all-important vaccine, the country's ticket back to normalcy.

Right now, only persons over age 75 are eligible for the vaccine. Those who are 65 will be eligible next, probably early next month, but no firm date has been set. After that, come frontline essential workers and

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those with medical conditions that increase their risk for catching COVID-19, and finally the general population.

Because many people over 75 are not comfortable with using the internet, those who wish to make an appointment by phone can call the following numbers:

- City of Hartford's Department of Health and Human Services at 860-757-4830 during regular business hours. Please leave a message if you do not get through to someone.
- State of Connecticut's COVID Vaccine Appointment Assist Line at 877-918-2224, Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 4:30 PM.

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Give and Take in Asylum Hill

Shanelle Morris, Program Director of Grow Hartford's Youth Program officially breaks ground on Sunday, January 17, for the organization's new "Health Is Wealth" Hub at the corner of Huntington and Ashley Streets in Hartford's Asylum Hill neighborhood. People are asked to leave canned foods, fresh produce, healthy recipes and cookbooks, seeds, plants and other items in the food hub for those in need. Looking at center on is Gavin Frechette, who helped install the food hub. (Hart photo)

Hartford...Once Upon a Time



A good friend lent us this wonderful color drawing of Downtown Hartford in 1851. The view is looking south on Main Street from Asylum Street. At left, of course, is the Old State House. In the background are the spires of three churches (left to right): St. John's Episcopal Church, South Congregational Church and Center Congregational Church. St. John's is no longer with us but the other two churches still stand proudly on Main Street.

NEWS BRIEFS

Free COVID-19 Testing Saturday at West Indian Social Club

The West Indian Social Club, 3340 Main Street, Hartford, will host a free COVID-19 test site this Saturday, January 30, from 10am - 2pm, rain or shine. No appointment is needed. Food baskets will also be distributed while supplies last. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing. For more information, please call Faith at 860-331-6258 or email faith.palmer@hartford.gov.

Drive-Thru Flu Clinic Saturday at Blackwell AME Zion Church

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the ordinary flu is still a danger. So Blackwell AME Zion Church, 680 Blue Hills Avenue, Hartford, is offering free flu shots to those ages 8 and older this Saturday, January 30, from 10am-2pm. This is a drive-thru clinic; first come, first-served. Please wear a mask and loose-fitting clothes and bring a photo ID. No insurance is needed. The first 25 cars will receive a gift card.

HPD Now Recruiting for New Members

The Hartford Police Department is now recruiting for new members. Salary is \$52,866-\$71,480 annually. Benefits include a pension and retirement plan; educational incentives, health and dental plan and paid vacations. You must be at least 21 years old; a U.S. citizen; and have a valid driver's license and high school diploma or GED. For more information, go to: [Instagram@hartford-citypolice_recruitment](https://www.instagram.com/hartford-citypolice_recruitment).

City Strollers Zoom Meeting Tonight

Hartford City Strollers, a virtual and socially distanced walking group, has

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MLK Day at the Wadsworth Atheneum

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the Wadsworth Atheneum continued its tradition of offering free admission to all on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 18. Among those taking advantage of the offer were Kari McCaw and her daughter Persephone Blaise. McCaw said she and Persephone have visited the Atheneum several times. “You really have to,” she said. “There’s just too much to take in in one day.” They are also frequent visitors to the New Britain Museum of American Art and several other local museums and galleries. (Hart photo)

COVID-19 Vaccine

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- Hartford HealthCare’s Access Center at 860-827-7690 during regular business hours.
To make an appointment using the internet:
- Go to CT.gov/CovidVaccine and enter your zip code in the top right corner to find a vaccine provider near you. You may need to create an account through the Vaccine Administration Management System (VAMS). Individuals 75 years old and older are currently eligible, and individuals 65 years old and older will likely become eligible in early February.
- Go to HartfordHealthcare.org/vaccine and use or create an account in their MyChartPlus system to make an appointment. Or, go to www.TrinityHealthOfNE.org/Appointment to schedule an appointment at one of the Trinity Health Of New England COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics.

There are several places in Hartford to get the vaccine. The city’s two major hospitals, Hartford Hospital and Saint Francis, are offering it on a large scale. Several Federally Qualified Health Centers are also administering the vaccine.

The City of Hartford Department of Health and Human Services has also begun administering the vaccine on a smaller scale, including bringing it directly to senior housing communities.

The State COVID-19 Vaccine website allows you to enter your zip code to find a healthcare provider administering vaccines near you. The following facilities are listed for Hartford and there are many more in the adjoining towns.

- Community Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, 76 New Britain Avenue
- Connecticut Children’s Medical Center COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, 282 Washington Street
- Charter Oak Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, 21 Grand Street

- Hartford Healthcare COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic at the CT Convention Center, 100 Columbus Blvd., CT Convention Center
- Wheeler Clinic COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, 43 Woodland Street
- Hartford Health Department COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, 131 Coventry Street, First Floor

All vaccines currently available requires two doses, spaced about 28 days apart, and you need an appointment to get both shots from the same place.

Generally, there are very few side effects from the first of the two doses. Most people seem to have just a sore arm. Some people have minor side effects after the second dose, like aches, headache, fatigue, a fever, or other conditions. These side effects typically pass in 24-48 hours. This is actually a good sign as it shows that your body’s immune system is working.

No one can be denied a vaccine if they are unable to pay the vaccine administration fee.

According to the website of the Center for Disease Control (CDC), “Vaccine doses purchased with U.S. taxpayer dollars will be given to the American people at no cost. However, vaccination providers can charge an administration fee for giving someone the shot. Vaccination providers can be reimbursed for this by the patient’s public or private insurance company or, for uninsured patients, by the Health Resources and Services Administration’s Provider Relief Fund. No one can be denied a vaccine if they are unable to pay the vaccine administration fee.”

If you have a vaccine appointment but do not have access to transportation, the City of Hartford will schedule a free car ride to and from the appointment. To make an appointment, call Hartford 311 at 860-757-9311, Monday through Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM. Confirmed appointments are required to receive a free ride.

The City of Hartford is also planning to bring mobile vaccine clinics to seniors citizen housing complexes and other places where older persons gather.



Politically Speaking

A Fresh Look at Issues Facing our Region & State

BY MIKE MCGARRY

Success in Trying Times

Columnist’s Note: For a few weeks this column will discuss positive signs in our city.

This past year has been a disaster for many people in the restaurant business. Two friends of ours who ran successful Downtown eateries until the pandemic hit recently closed. Those that have remained open usually have limited hours and staff as they soldier through the always tough months of January and February. Remember the restaurant weeks...The City, The Burbs? Now there’s barely enough of them for a weekend.

because we got a chance to chat with Jordan, the owner of the restaurant.

He said that even with a forecasted 6 degree wind chill for the week-end, he had over 100 reservations. Often, he marveled, he has to suggest alternate times when it’s not so busy for people to enjoy his food, drinks and healthy atmosphere.

We only wish his magic could have been translated Downtown – a really rough place to do business these days. With most of the apartments still occupied and cabin fever sinking in for many, knowing you can be part of the hustle and bustle



However, one outstanding success is J’s Restarant-Bar at 207 Washington Street, across the street from Connecticut Children’s Medical Center. J’s is weathering the storm, doing what they have to do, spending what they have to spend and, in the process, have become somewhat of a local legend.

A friend treated us to lunch at J’s last week and it was quite an experience. Seeing people dining outside with a wind chill of 20 degrees was a bit of a shock, until we sat under a heater, on the patio, with no roof! But no roof and fresh air reduce the chance for catching the virus, so good on J’s. With work to do, we did decide to eat indoors and it turned out to be a good decision

and enjoy somebody else’s cooking is a joy.

Anyhow, our friend particularly liked the menu and its unusual but intriguing suggestions. We took a prime rib sandwich home, it was big enough for lunch for two.

So, imagination, investment and good value has made J’s a success story in hard times. We only wish those that didn’t make it were able to hit on this winning formula.

J’s Restaurant-Bar is located at 207 Washington Street, Hartford. Hours are Monday through Friday, 11 am - 9 pm; Saturday, 3 pm - 9 pm; closed Sundays. Call 860-527-7764 or visit jrestaurantbar.com to make a reservation or for more information.



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“WHEELS” OF FORTUNE

A view of Hartford from ivory towers through rose-colored glasses

COMMENTARY BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

“Once famous as the insurance capital of the world, Connecticut’s capital city is falling apart.”

Those words begin an op-ed published in the *Wall Street Journal* on January 2nd. Its author: Bob Stefanowski, the losing Republican candidate for Governor of Connecticut in 2018. It didn’t take long for indignant critics to rebut the piece, and the writer. I’m no fan of Stefanowski, but except for the incredibly stupid first paragraph where he claims the closing of the Hartford Courant mothership on Broad Street is a relief for the paper’s reporters because they’re all afraid of working in Hartford, most of the op-ed was spot on. “Once famous as the ‘insurance capital of the world,’ Hartford has been in decline for 30 years. In the 1990s, Hartford’s population hemorrhage made national news. Today it is smaller still, less than 70% of what it was in 1950”, said Stefanowski, adding “Hartford’s poverty rate is one of the highest in the nation. The city is falling apart. Even before the pandemic, WalletHub.com ranked Hartford 46th among state capitals in affordability, economic well-being, education, health and quality of life. The city spends more than \$400 million annually on education (\$17,260 per student) yet nearly 30% of its students don’t graduate high school on time. Only 18% of students in grades 3 through 8 test at age-appropriate levels in math, and 25% do so in reading.” Who living in Hartford could argue with that?

Five times in three weeks Stefanowski’s detractors have expressed their outrage in print while painting a glowing picture of our metropolis as a bastion of commerce and a great place to call home. Of course, some people were going to be pissed off just because they hate everything and everyone Republican. But the deniers jumped to their city’s defense. So when a non-resident posted a January 22nd rebuttal published in the WSJ on a Hartford Facebook page this week, the first thing I noticed was this line: “The Brookings Institution named Hartford one of 19 “Global Knowledge Capitals” for its talented workforce, elite research universities and entrepreneurial spirit. That seemed like a bit of hyperbole in 2021, so I dug a little deeper and discovered Brookings said that in 2016, based on 2015 data. But that didn’t stop the writer—Alan Schnitzer,

CEO of Travelers—from presenting it as if it were fresh-baked. Schnitzer, whose total annual compensation was \$16 million a couple of years ago, lives on Park Avenue in Manhattan, and vacations at his stunning \$3 million beach house on Nantucket Island. On January 11th the Courant ran an op-ed by Christopher Swift, CEO at The Hartford. His total annual compensation is \$14.5 million, and he lives in New Canaan, one of the most gilded towns in Connecticut’s Gold Coast. Swift had this to say: “I feel compelled to respond to the op-eds depiction of our capital city and its elected leaders”, and added that “Luke Bronin is the first mayor in memory to tackle the city’s fiscal problems head on. Working with municipal employees, the city council, state legislators and two different state governors, Mayor Bronin fashioned solutions that stabilized the city’s finances and brought the city back from the brink of bankruptcy.” (And here I was thinking the State bailout did that!)

My takeaway is this: What sort of credibility can the “big wheels” – two CEOs of major insurance companies who are royally compensated beyond the wildest dreams of 99% of Hartford’s residents--have? Their motivation for writing these opinions? To polish the apple where their kingdoms of personal riches sit. Don't they realize how hard it actually is to polish an apple that's full of wormholes, and still try to entice people to take a bite? Empty words from out-of-touch out-of-town honchos who are light years removed from the true-life experiences of Hartford residents.

Hartford is a capital city where 40% of the population lives at or below the poverty line, and must rely on social services, non-profit groups, and the government for the basics of life, including food and housing. We have a significant--and growing-- homeless population, and an inequitable education system between the public neighborhood schools and the public magnet schools, where admission is available only through a lottery. Hartford has a high rate of unemployment. Our infrastructure suffers from a large number of streets in need of road repair, along with a serious blight problem. And many areas of the city perennially endure a high level of unchecked criminal activity. We can’t begin to revive the city until these issues are addressed.



Barry Square Mini-Library

Chris Hayes, Director of Operations for Riverfront Recapture and a member of the 6th District Democratic Town Committee, and Hyacinth Yennie, President of the Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG), recently installed a mini-library at Barry Square, across from the post office. Please drop off new and gently-used books, especially Spanish-language children’s books, at the library for use by neighborhood residents. Hayes built and painted the mini-library himself. (Hart photo)

Black Woman Magic

POETRY BY MICHELLE R. MCFARLAND

Living unapologetically keeps me true to My Black Woman Magic at all times.

I am rooted in my core values truth and self-respect.

These values preserve My Black Woman Magic.

My goal is to keep my energy positive and be productive often.

My Black Woman Magic can no longer be wasted on issues and people who do not deserve it.

Boundaries Matter.

My Black Woman Magic is not about being an angry black woman.

My Black Woman Magic is about being my BEST me.

My Black Woman has Peace within.

It is ok to let people figure things out on their own.

I think what I want and if that’s ok for me others have the same right.

My Black Woman Magic

Authentic,

Encourages,

Embraces,

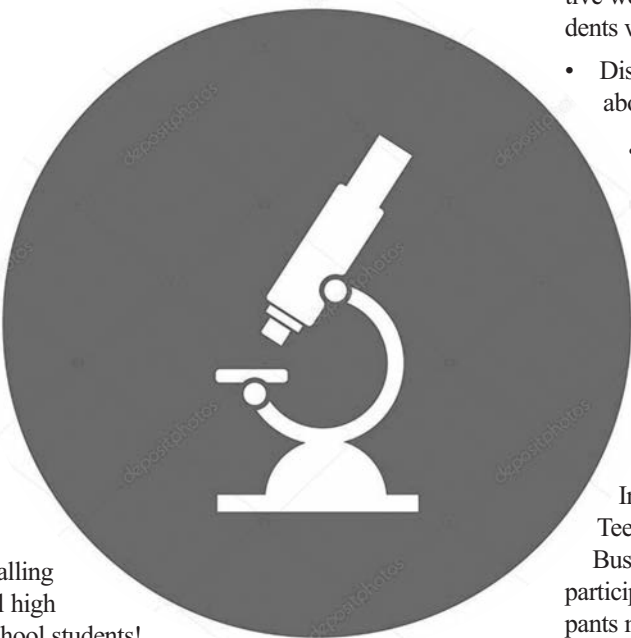
Inspires,

Creative,

It gives hope and looks for ways uplifts those who need it.

I am a Black Woman who is proud to serve community.

New Learning Program at Science Center for High School Students



Calling all high school students!

Join the Connecticut Science Center (CSC) to uncover the science behind our everyday lives. In March, CSC will offer Investigate!, a four-week program exploring different topics through a series of short courses focused on the weird, cool, and potentially messy ways STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) impacts us.

Investigate! meets every Saturday for four consecu-

tive weekends. During this four-week program students will:

- Discover areas of STEM that you don’t learn about in school
- Participate in hands-on projects and investigations
- Work with STEM professionals, as well as Science Center educators

The program is open to students in grades: 9-12 and will be held on Saturdays from 10am-3:30 pm on March 6, 13, 20 and 27 at CSC, 250 Columbus Boulevard, Downtown Hartford.

Students who complete a full session of the Investigate! program are eligible to apply for the Teen Innovation Ambassador program.

Bus passes and Lunch are included for all program participants. Investigate! is free of charge, but participants must commit to attending all scheduled dates on site. To apply, please visit ctsciencecenter.org/teens/investigate.

Application Deadline is Sunday, February 28th.

In response to COVID-19 we have introduced new health and safety protocols to protect all staff and students. All protocols can be found in the application or feel free to contact us with questions. For more information, contact us at teens@ctsciencecenter.org or (860) 520-2166

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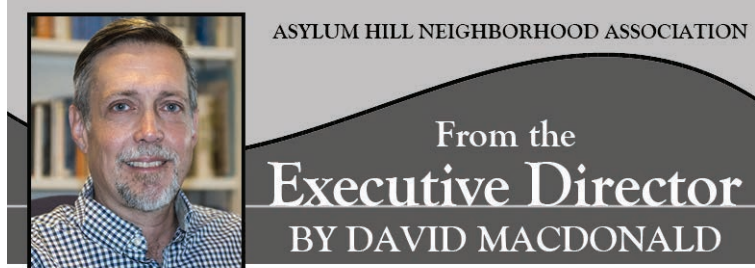


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ct.gov/covidvaccine





2021 will be a busy year for AHNA

AHNA is beginning the New Year with recently updated By-Laws and a busy agenda for 2021. We are working with the West End NRZ (WECA) to resurrect the Farmington Avenue Alliance and ensure that we can complete the Streetscape improvements to Farmington Avenue. The design from Gillette Street to Prospect Ave is almost complete and now is the time to commence the design from Marshall to Broad and to secure the state funding necessary to complete the project. AHNA has appointed the following individuals to the FAA Board of Directors: Wayne Benjamin, Yvonne Mathews, Aaron Knight, David MacDonald, Alex Tsarkov, and our Chair Jackie McKinney is ex officio.

The Asylum Hill Neighborhood Association’s biggest project in 2021 will be to update our NRZ Strategic Plan. AHNA’s mission statement is that we empower and connect residents and stakeholders to improve the quality of life in Asylum Hill. Updating our NRZ Strategic Plan is the ideal way to accomplish our mission by bringing people together to find solutions to our challenges. Our process will create Task Forces to include residents and institutional stakeholders to work together on

solutions to the problems confronting Asylum Hill. It will be a comprehensive plan that identifies priorities and goals in the areas of: Economic Development, Commercial Corridors, Green Spaces, Educational Opportunities, Historic Preservation, Recreation & Culture, Transportation, Public Safety, Housing, and Land Use & Zoning in Asylum Hill. We will kick-off the 2021 Strategic Plan update with a Board of Director’s retreat on January 30th.

The Hartford recently conducted a survey of Asylum Hill that identified the 3 top priorities of the neighborhood as employment/jobs, housing/homelessness, and public safety. AHNA looks forward to partnering with the Hartford to incorporate these priorities into AHNA’s update of our NRZ Strategic Plan, as well as identifying potential projects to address the priorities.

First, we will convene a Strategic Planning Steering Committee in February following our Board retreat. They will then establish several Task Forces to focus on the priority areas. Task Forces will also bring forward collaborative solutions to our neighborhood challenges. If you are interested in participating, watch for emails about Task Forces in

February to sign up. The Task Force meetings will be via Zoom. AHNA Committees will also be asked to provide input into our plans, so you can participate through any AHNA committees you already are a member of.

#HonorNativeLand

AHNA Board member, Lynn Johnson, a longtime environmental activist has brought awareness to AHNA about the history of Asylum Hill prior to the arrival of European colonists. AHNA acknowledges and promotes the history of Asylum Hill, but this history has often excluded the people who were here before. Following research about the native tribes that lived in Asylum Hill and several discussions with the Board and general membership, the Board has decided to read the following statement after reading our mission statement at General Meetings. It reads: “We acknowledge and honor that Asylum Hill is on the traditional lands of the Pogonook, Sicoag, Tunxis and Wangunk.” These were all Algonquin speaking tribes of the CT river area. In countries such as New Zealand, Australia, Canada, and among tribal nations in the U.S., it is commonplace, even policy, to open events and gatherings by acknowledging the traditional Indigenous inhabitants of that land. While some individuals, and cultural and educational institutions in the United States have adopted this custom, the majority have not. #HonorNativeLand is a national movement to change this and AHNA supports honoring Native Lands.

will proceed as follows:

- Scheduling now: Individuals over the age of 75
- Scheduling next (likely early February): Individuals between the ages of 65 and 74
- Scheduling soon (likely late February or early March): Frontline essential workers and individuals with underlying medical conditions who have an increased risk for severe illness

The roll-out of the vaccine to staff and residents of congregate living settings will be phased in throughout Phase 1b. More information about the definitions of frontline essential workers and the list of eligible underlying medical conditions will be made available in the next several weeks. For the most up-to-date information on COVID-19 vaccination distribution plans in Connecticut, visit ct.gov/covidvaccine or call 877-918-2224 for assistance.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH AHNA Green Committee

Shortly after Lynn Johnson was elected to the AHNA Board, she proposed the idea of a Green Committee to focus attention on the environment as it relates to improving the quality of life that is the AHNA mission. It didn’t take long at all to gather a small group of members committed to advancing those principles and practices. They include David MacDonald, Mary Pelletier Sue Bailey, Louisa Barton Duguay and Barbara Robbins so far.

The first thing that they did at the very first meeting was to acknowledge and honor those living in Asylum Hill before it was Asylum Hill, in fact before the Europeans arrived when those who lived here spoke Algonquin and referred to this area as the “Bend in the River.”

They were the original environmentalists, and there is still much to be learned from their way of life.

The next topic was to address the problem of organic food waste that takes up a significant portion of the landfill in Hartford and that could be much better dealt with by composting. Blue Earth Compost is a

small new company located in Hartford that is looking to change that by collecting food scraps and composting it efficiently and then distributing the compost to nourish the soil. The Green Committee wants to establish a pilot program to collect food scraps from 100 families and measure the benefits to the community.

Other topics that were raised included installing solar panels like those recently installed on Grace Lutheran Church on other properties in Asylum Hill; rain barrels to capture runoff from home roofs and used to water gardens.

During their second meeting they added a focus on the Park River Watershed and also supporting the Hartford Climate Emergency Resolution, a document that is going before Hartford’s City Council and a copy of which can be found here. <http://bit.ly/HCFERfinal>. Look for good things to come from this committee, and if you’d like to participate, contact David MacDonald at exdir@asylumhill.org

EXPLORING ASYLUM HILL 1st “Health is Wealth Hub”

BY BERNIE MICHEL

There’s a new food pantry on Ashley St near Huntington with a sign that says “Health is Wealth Hub”. It’s the first of its kind, and it was installed on Sunday the 17th and it was soon being used.

I found out about it when the Director of the Grow Hartford Youth Program, Shanelle Morris emailed Fresh Start Pallet Products looking to collaborate on building more of these Hubs. Grow Hartford Youth is a five year old program of Hartford Food Systems, who have been around since the 70’s. As it says on their website home page, “Hartford Food Systems Mission is to Fight Hunger & Improve Nutrition In Our Community.

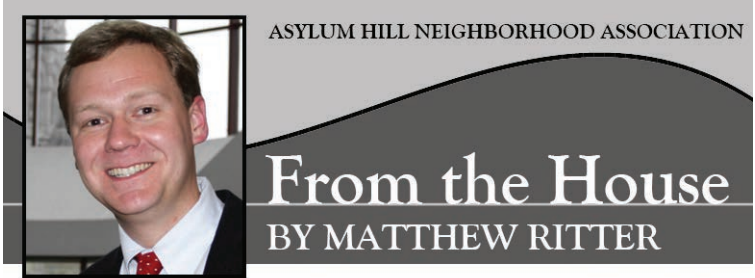
The mission of Grow Hartford “is (to be) a youth program that advocates against social injustices such as food injustice, racism, and adulthood. Our mission is to not only bring awareness to these issues but to also motivate citizens to bring change.” I didn’t know about “adulthood” until now, but I appreciate the heads-up.

In order to understand this better

I arranged a zoom call with Shanelle and found out that these “Health is Wealth Hubs” (there will be more), are a response to the harm done by the COVID pandemic, but also circumstances before and beyond. It began in October with the intention of engaging youth to decide how best to address the problem.

Shanelle started with Grow Hartford in 2016 as an intern when she was a senior at Trinity College and after getting her MA recently returned, taking the position of Director of the Grow Hartford Youth Program. It’s a youth led program to address the systemic barriers to food justice, nutrition and equity.

Our Volunteer of the Month column in December mentioned several other AH initiatives focused on hunger and food security. I have alerted Shanelle to them, and the opportunity for synergy through collaboration is a fundamental goal of AHNA. Can’t wait to see where this can go. For information on how to get involved contact shanelle@hartfordfood.org or staffadmin@asylumhill.org



Inauguration and Vaccine Update

Inauguration Day...I felt the weight come off my shoulders. It was a great day for a nation that needs healing and leadership. It was also a great day for Connecticut. States have been desperate for federal leadership during the pandemic...now it’s here. States have been desperate for federal funds to cover the flood of money we have dedicated to the pandemic...now we have a leader (and a Senate) committed to providing relief to states and municipalities.

Connecticut is in a better position than most states. We have a population that has (for the most part) fol-

lowed public health guidance and we have a State committed to responsible budgeting and saving for a rainy day (our State budget reserves are at record highs).

Vaccine Update

The State of Connecticut is expecting about 45,000 COVID-19 vaccine doses on a weekly basis from the federal government.

We now know that the State will be taking a tiered approach in Phase 1B as we work to vaccinate the nearly 1.4 million people in the recently updated Phase 1B category.

The tiered approach to Phase 1b

El Informativo Latino

Residentes de CT de 65-75 años podrán recibir vacuna con nuevo enfoque escalonado

Connecticut planea iniciar un "enfoque escalonado" para programar a los casi 1.4 millones de residentes que se encuentran en la Fase 1b del lanzamiento de la vacuna COVID-19 del estado.

El plan viene bajo la dirección del gobernador Ned Lamont y se enfoca en vacunar primero a los residentes con mayor riesgo de sufrir resultados de salud adversos por el coronavirus.

Hasta el martes, se han administrado un total de 220,820 dosis en el estado, incluidas 196,753 primeras dosis de la vacuna COVID-19.

¿Cómo será el calendario de vacunas de la Fase 1b en Connecticut?

El enfoque de programación de la Fase 1b se ve así, según la oficina del gobernador:

Programados para ahora: per-

sonas mayores de 75 años

Programados próximamente: (probablemente a principios de febrero): personas entre 65 y 75 años

Programados pronto: (probablemente a fines de febrero o principios de marzo): trabajadores esenciales de primera línea y personas con afecciones médicas subyacentes que tienen un mayor riesgo de enfermedad grave

Por fases: personal y residentes de entornos de vida congregados

El estado dijo que publicará más detalles sobre la definición de trabajadores esenciales de primera línea, así como la lista de condiciones médicas subyacentes elegibles durante las próximas semanas.

Las farmacias comerciales, como Walgreens y CVS, ofrecerán vacunas COVID-19 a los residentes elegibles en las próximas semanas.

Citas de vacunación no elegibles
En medio de informes de que el personal de varias escuelas en Connecticut pudo programar citas antes de ser elegibles, el Departamento de Salud Pública pidió el martes a los residentes que cancelen las citas para el viernes o más tarde a menos que sean mayores de 75 años o sean elegibles bajo la Fase 1a.

"Esto se está haciendo para asegurar que el enfoque de Connecticut en las personas mayores de 75 años se mantenga", dijo la oficina del gobernador en un comunicado.

Fase 1c y Fase 2

Se estima que la Fase 1c comenzará en mayo y la Fase 2 está programada para junio, según el gobernador el martes. By Iris Rodriguez

Dunkin' Donuts sera utilizado como centro de vacunación

Dunkin' Donuts Park en Hartford pronto se utilizará como un sitio de vacunación COVID-19, según la oficina del alcalde Luke Bronin. El presidente de los Yard Goats, Tim Restall, se unió al alcalde para hacer el anuncio. A partir del 6 de febrero, es probable que el lugar se use para eventos de prueba específicos con cita previa y esos eventos dependerán de la disponibilidad de vacunas semanalmente, según la oficina del alcalde. By Iris Rodriguez



ORGULLOSOS padres de Miguel Cardona comentan sobre Histórica nominación

A poco más de 300 millas del Capitolio de los Estados Unidos, el miércoles una casa en Meriden se llenó de orgullo cuando los padres del candidato a secretario de educación, el Dr. Miguel Cardona, vieron la toma de posesión del presidente que le dio a su hijo su histórico nombramiento.

"Estoy muy emocionado, muy orgulloso. No solo yo. Pero trae a Meriden al mapa y a nuestra ciudad natal en Puerto Rico", dijo Héctor Manuel Cardona, padre del Dr. Miguel Cardona.

Héctor y Sarah Cardona se han estado preparando para que su hijo ocupe un puesto en el gabinete del presidente de Estados Unidos. Han estado orgullosos de sus logros por un tiempo, viendo su ascenso de maestro a comisionado estatal de educación. Pero este último logro significa más de lo que podrían haber imaginado.

"Cuando lo nombraron comisionado de educación del estado,



eso fue algo muy importante. Pensé ¿a dónde puede ir desde aquí? Sorprendentemente Washington", dijo Héctor.

La magnitud de la nominación de Cardona no se le escapa a sus padres, quienes llegaron a Connecticut desde Puerto Rico. Cardona formará parte de un gabinete históricamente diverso y sus padres esperan que envíe un mensaje a los niños en nuestro estado y en todo el mundo.

"El ser latino, va a demostrar que

no importa de dónde vengas. Si quieres hacerlo, puedes hacerlo. El color no importa".

Los Cardona dicen que simplemente están encantados de que su hijo se eleve a las alturas de su campo con un plan para ayudar a los niños de la nación a hacer lo mismo.

"Puedes hacerlo si quieres. Las puertas están siempre abiertas. Hay que alcanzarlo", dijo Héctor Cardona. By Iris Rodriguez

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Norman Kristen Jacobsen, AKA Norman K. Jacobsen (20-01130)

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Verol Seaton, AKA Verol R. Seaton (20-01134)

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Estate Sale at Elizabeth Park

The annual Second Hand Rose Estate Sale will be held this Saturday, January 30 and Sunday, January 31, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm (both days) in the Garmany Visitor Center in Elizabeth Park, 1563 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Elizabeth Park Conservancy. Among the items up for sale are artwork, crystal, china, linens, small furnishings, and even ladies' hats. Due to the CT COVID-19, the number of visitors at one time will be limited; masks will be required and you must sanitize your hands upon entering.

Hartford Police Explorers Taking New Members

Hartford youth between the ages of 13-20 who are interested in a career in law enforcement can now sign up for the Hartford Police Explorers program. The program provides training in law enforcement, social activities, leadership training, phys-ical fitness programs, outdoor activi-ties and more. You must maintain at least a C average in school, have no

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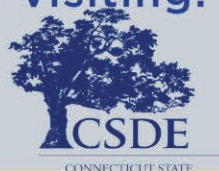
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